

# Town of Amherst Town Council Meeting Monday, June 1, 2020 6:30 p.m. Virtual Meeting Minutes

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#### 1. Call to Order

Councilors Participating Remotely: Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg.

Councilors absent: Councilor Swartz

Others Participating Remotely: Town Manager Paul Bockelman, Assistant Town Manager David Ziomek, Police Chief Scott Livingstone, Finance Director Sean Mangano, Town Engineer Jason Skeels, and Clerk of the Council Athena O'Keeffe

After confirming all participants could hear and be heard, President Griesemer declared the presence of a quorum, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and announced audio and video recording of the meeting by Amherst Media

Note: Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, this joint meeting of the Town Council and School Committee was conducted via remote participation.

# Agenda item 13. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting

Town Manager Paul Bockelman spoke about the need to amplify voices that have not been heard, and that the Town released a statement on the death of George Floyd.

Police Chief Scott Livingstone spoke about the statement and in support of officers and the two police unions who represent Amherst police.

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.6.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.6.

Councilor De Angelis read a statement, available here:

https://www.amherstma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/51478/Statement-from-Pat-DeAngelis-6-1-2020

Councilor Hanneke read the Resolution in the Aftermath of the Death of Mr. George Floyd.

**MOTION:** Councilor De Angelis moved, second by Councilor Bahl-Milne, to adopt the Resolution in the Aftermath of the Death of Mr. George Floyd.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt the Resolution in the Aftermath of the Death of Mr. George Floyd.

The Council held a moment of silence.

Councilor Pam spoke about a televised statement made by Mr. Floyd's brother.

Councilor Bahl-Milne thanked Councilor De Angelis and Town staff, and asked what more can be done by the Council.

#### 2. Announcements

**Upcoming Town Council Meetings:** 

- Joint Town Council/Finance Committee Public Hearing on Regional School FY21 Budget: June 8, 6:30 p.m.
- Joint Town Council/Finance Committee Public Hearing on One-Month Budget: June 8, 7:00 p.m.
- Capital Plan Presentation Information Session: June 15, 2020, 5:30 p.m.
- Public Forum on Capital Inventory and Capital Improvement Program: June 15, 2020, 6:00 p.m.
- Regular Town Council Meeting: June 15, 2020, 6:30 p.m.
- Regular Town Council Meeting: June 29, 2020 6:30 p.m.
- Joint Town Council/Finance Committee Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2021 Budget: July 13, 6:30 p.m.

**Upcoming Council Committee Meetings:** 

- Joint meeting of Community Resources Committee and Finance Committee: June 2, 2020, 2:00 p.m.
- Finance Committee Meeting: June 2, 2:00 p.m.
- Community Resources Committee Meeting: June 2, 3:00 p.m.
- Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee June 3, 2020, 10:30 a.m.
- Joint meeting of Community Resources Committee and Planning Board: June 3, 2020 7:45 p.m.
- Outreach, Communications, and Appointments Committee: June 8, 2020, 9:30 a.m.
- Community Resources Committee and Planning Board Public Hearing on Temporary Zoning Bylaw: June 10, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

All meeting agendas and details are posted at www.amherstma.gov/calendar

## 3. Hearings – None

### 4. General Public Comment

Amherst resident Gazit Chaya Nkosi of District 5 thanked the Council for the resolution, spoke about community members who would like the Council to take further action, and asked that the Council address this at the next meeting.

#### 5. Proclamations and Commemorations

## a. LGBTQ Pride Month Proclamation

Councilor Ross spoke about black and brown LGBT Americans who led the gay rights movement, and whose advocacy and efforts should be recognized during Pride Month.

**VOTED VIA CONSENT AGENDA** 12-0 (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt the "LGBTQ Proclamation 2020" as presented.

## b. Race Amity Day Proclamation

Councilor Brewer stated that Town Meeting and Select Board voted the Race Amity Day Proclamation each year in the past, and that commemorative events will be held virtually this year.

**VOTED** via consent agenda 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.6 for the current agenda item.

**VOTED** via consent agenda 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to adopt the "Race Amity Day 2020 Proclamation" as presented.

#### 6. Presentations and Discussion

## a. One-Month Budget Presentation

Town Manager Paul Bockelman and Finance Director Sean Mangano gave a brief report on the proposed one-month Town budget, and the process used to develop the budget. A full FY21 budget will replace the one-month budget once adopted.

Councilor Schoen asked about capital expenditures.

Councilor Steinberg noted that the Capital Improvement Program presentation and Public Forum will be held on June 15.

## b. Memo Regarding Options for Handling Permanent Public Way Requests

President Griesemer spoke about the need to address requests for permanent alterations to the public way, as there is not currently a rule that allows automatic referral to a Committee in the Town Council Rules of Procedure.

Councilor DuMont asked to be included in creating a process to handle public way requests.

Councilors discussed potential processes.

## 7. Action Items

#### a. Consent Agenda

- (1) Suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.6 for the following agenda item:
  - Race Amity Day Proclamation
- (2) Suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4 for the following agenda items:
  - 7.b.(1) Permanent Change of Public Way: 133 & 143 South East Street
  - 7.d. Town Council Policy Regarding the Control and Regulation of the Public Ways Section 3(b)
- (3) 5.a. Adoption of LGBTQ Pride Month Proclamation

- (4) 5.b. Adoption of Race Amity Day Proclamation
- (5) 7.c. Referral of Amendment to Zoning Bylaw 11.250 regarding the votes required for Planning Board decisions to Community Resources Committee and Planning Board
- (6) 7.e. Referral of 1-month Budget to Finance Committee
- (7) 7.f. Referral of Regional School Budget to Finance Committee
- (8) 7.g. Referral of Community Preservation Act Committee Recommendations to the Community Resources Committee and & Finance Committee
- (9) Approval of Amendment to Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 4.2, Proposed rule 4.6 regarding use of Consent Agenda
- (10) 10.a-b. Approval of Minutes:
  - April 21, 2020 Special Joint Town Council/Community Resources Committee Meeting minutes
  - April 21, 2020 Special Joint Town Council/Town Services and Outreach Committee Meeting minutes
  - May 1, 2020 Special Town Council Meeting Water/Sewer Rates minutes
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Councilor DuMont removed: Suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4 for the following agenda items: 7.b.(1) Permanent Change of Public Way: 133 & 143 South East Street, 7.d. Town Council Policy Regarding the Control and Regulation of the Public Ways Section 3(b); and Approval of Amendment to Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 4.2, Proposed rule 4.6 regarding use of Consent Agenda from the Consent Agenda.

Councilor Schoen removed: 7.c. Referral of Amendment to Zoning Bylaw 11.250 regarding the votes required for Planning Board decisions to Community Resources Committee and Planning Board from the Consent Agenda.

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor De Angelis, to move the following items, and the printed motions thereunder and approve those items as a single unit:

- Suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.6 for the following agenda item:
  - o 5.b. Race Amity Day Proclamation
- 5.a. Adoption of LGBTQ Pride Month Proclamation
- 5.b. Adoption of Race Amity Day Proclamation
- 7.e. Referral of 1-month Budget to Finance Committee
- 7.f. Referral of Regional School Budget to Finance Committee
- 7.g. Referral of Community Preservation Act Committee Recommendations to the Community Resources Committee & Finance Committee
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**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to move the following items, and the printed motions thereunder and approve those items as a single unit:

- Suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.6 for the following agenda item:
  - o 5.b. Race Amity Day Proclamation
- 5.a. Adoption of LGBTQ Pride Month Proclamation
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## b. Permanent Change to Public Ways: Roads and Sidewalks

## (1) 133 & 143 South East Street

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4 for the current agenda item.

Councilor DuMont spoke in favor of holding two discussions rather than suspending rule 8.4 to allow members of the public to comment.

**VOTED** 9-1-2 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, Griesemer, Hanneke, Ross, Ryan, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor DuMont voted No, Councilors Pam and Schoen Abstained, Councilor Swartz was absent) to suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4 for the current agenda item.

Councilor DuMont reported that the Town Services and Outreach Committee recommend Council approval of the request.

Councilor Pam characterized use of the public way by private interests as "giving away the public way" and spoke about the need for consistency in reviewing and approving use of the public way.

Councilor Brewer spoke about the need for a process, stated that the Town has not "given away a lot of the public way," and spoke about the infrequency of permanent public way requests which has led to a feel that each occurrence is a "one-off."

Councilor Ross reframed the requests as making improvements in the public way rather than "giving it away."

**MOTION:** Councilor DuMont moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to approve permanent improvements to the Public Way from the curb line to the property line in front of 133 and 143 South East Street, as detailed on the document titled "SE Commons – CD Set 2020.03.05.pdf", to be made by the applicant, as indicated in SPR2019-07, and to be maintained by said applicant or future owner for the life of the building, from the curb line to the property line, including repair and replacement of paving and site furnishings as needed, including those recommended by the Design Review Board. A maintenance plan for this area shall be submitted to the Planning Department and the Department of Public Works and shall be drafted in accordance with the email from Jason Skeels, Town Engineer, to Christine Brestrup, Planning Director, dated October 16, 2019. The area shall be maintained in accordance with the maintenance plan.

Councilor Brewer stated that the same motion was made at the Town Services and Outreach Committee meeting and was voted down, and stated that the language added should not be approved flippantly.

**MOTION:** Councilor Ross moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to amend the motion by striking the words "including those recommended by the Design Review Board."

Councilor Dumont spoke in favor of the original motion.

Councilor Ross stated that the intent was to share the recommendations with the developer, but not to make them compulsory.

Councilor Pam spoke in favor of the original motion.

**VOTED** 10-2 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, Griesemer, Hanneke, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilors DuMont and Pam voted No; Councilor Swartz was absent) to amend the motion by striking the words "including those recommended by the Design Review Board."

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, Steinberg; Councilor Swartz was absent) to approve permanent improvements to the Public Way from the curb line to the property line in front of 133 and 143 South East Street, as detailed on the document titled "SE Commons – CD Set 2020.03.05.pdf", to be made by the applicant, as indicated in SPR2019-07, and to be maintained by said applicant or future owner for the life of the building, from the curb line to the property line, including repair and replacement of paving and site furnishings as needed. A maintenance plan for this area shall be submitted to the Planning Department and the Department of Public Works and shall be drafted in accordance with the email from Jason Skeels, Town Engineer, to Christine Brestrup, Planning Director, dated October 16, 2019. The area shall be maintained in accordance with the maintenance plan.

## (2) One University Drive South

Assistant Town Manager David Ziomek spoke about the public comment and approval process for the project.

Bacon/Wilson attorney Tom Reidy, speaking on behalf of UDrive South LLC, spoke about the history of the project and planned changes to the public way.

Councilor Pam asked about sidewalks and access to the bike path.

Councilor Hanneke asked if changes to the parking conditions by the Council would result in the special permit not being issued.

T. Reidy responded that it would jeopardize the special permit if not approved by the Council precisely as worded in the Zoning Board of Appeals decision.

Councilor DuMont asked about sustainability for the project and parking lot, such as electric car charging stations and solar readiness.

- T. Reidy responded that the charging stations come with strings attached, and that the building will meet the stretch energy code but would not include solar.
- D. Ziomek stated the applicant is requesting to improve the public way, and that those improvements would be provided by the applicant.

Councilor Schoen asked about walking to shops and improvements to the intersection by the Department of Transportation (DOT) on Route 9.

Town Engineer Jason Skeels spoke about potential changes by DOT, and the opportunity for public input in the DOT process.

Councilor Hanneke spoke in favor of holding a public hearing on the parking regulations in compliance with Town Bylaws.

Councilor Brewer spoke in favor of holding a hearing and not referring to a committee for review.

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to hold a hearing pursuant to General Bylaw 3.14 on June 29, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding the regulations governing the location, time, and duration of parking on University Drive South, pursuant to the approved plans referred to in ZBA 2020-26 Special Permit Decision.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to hold a hearing pursuant to General Bylaw 3.14 on June 29, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding the regulations governing the location, time, and duration of parking on University Drive South, pursuant to the approved plans referred to in ZBA 2020-26 Special Permit Decision.

# c. Amendment to Zoning Bylaw 11.250 regarding the votes required for Planning Board decisions

Councilor DuMont asked why the change is being proposed.

Councilor Hanneke spoke about the reason for the change, which changes the voting quantum from 2/3 to a majority for Site Plan Reviews.

Councilor Schoen spoke about concerns regarding minimum votes.

Councilors discussed the potential change, and potential minimum votes to approve site plan reviews.

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to refer the proposed amendment to Zoning Bylaw 11.250 to the Planning Board and the Community Resources Committee to hold joint hearings and provide a recommendation to the Town Council within 90 days.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to refer the

proposed amendment to Zoning Bylaw 11.250 to the Planning Board and the Community Resources Committee to hold joint hearings and provide a recommendation to the Town Council within 90 days.

# d. Town Council Policy Regarding the Control and Regulation of the Public Ways Section 3(b)

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4 for the current agenda item.

Councilor DuMont spoke in favor of holding a second discussion of the item.

**VOTED** 11-1 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor DuMont voted No; Councilor Swartz was absent) to suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4 for the current agenda item.

Councilor Hanneke spoke about changes to the language proposed by the Town Manager and recommended by the Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee.

Councilor DuMont reported that Town Services and Outreach Committee voted to recommend the modified language to the Council.

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to amend the Town Council Policy Regarding the Control and Regulation of the Public Ways by adding a new Section 4. Zoning Bylaw Article 14: Temporary Zoning Related Requests and renumbering the current Section 4. Miscellaneous to Section 5.

**VOTED** 11-1 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor DuMont voted No; Councilor Swartz was absent) to amend the Town Council Policy Regarding the Control and Regulation of the Public Ways by adding a new Section 4. Zoning Bylaw Article 14: Temporary Zoning Related Requests and renumbering the current Section 4. Miscellaneous to Section 5.

## **One-Month Budget**

**VOTED** via consent agenda 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) in accordance with Section 5.5(a) of the Amherst Home Rule Charter, to refer the one-month budget for July 2020 submitted by the Town Manager to the Finance Committee.

## e. Regional School Budget

**VOTED** via consent agenda 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) in accordance with Section 5.5(a) of the Amherst Home Rule Charter, to refer the budget submitted by the Town Manager and recommended by the Amherst-Pelham Regional School District Committee for Fiscal Year 2021 to the Finance Committee.

## f. Separate Consideration of the Regional School Budget *Charter Sec.* 5.5(c)

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Steinberg, in accordance with Section 5.5(c) of the Amherst Home Rule Charter and in compliance with Sections 5.5(a) and 5.5(b) of the Amherst Home Rule Charter, to separately consider and act on the Amherst-Pelham Regional School District budget for Fiscal Year 2021 due to the agreement with the three other towns in the Regional School District.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) in accordance with Section 5.5(c) of the Amherst Home Rule Charter and in compliance with Sections 5.5(a) and 5.5(b) of the Amherst Home Rule Charter, to separately consider and act on the Amherst-Pelham Regional School District budget for Fiscal Year 2021 due to the agreement with the three other towns in the Regional School District.

## g. Community Preservation Act Committee Recommendations

**VOTED** via consent agenda 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to refer the Community Preservation Act Committee recommendations for Fiscal Year 2021 to the Finance Committee & the Community Resources Committee, for report and recommendation to the Town Council by June 15, 2020.

# h. Amendment to Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 4.2, Proposed rule 4.6 regarding use of Consent Agenda – Second Reading, Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 1.6

**MOTION:** President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to amend the Town Council Rules of Procedure Rule 4.2 and add new Rule 4.6 as shown in the document titled "ROP – Consent Agenda Revisions – 2020-05-06 as recommended by GOL."

Councilor DuMont spoke in favor of allowing Councilors to email the President to remove items from the Consent Agenda.

President Griesemer stated that Councilors must ask that items be removed from Consent during a public meeting.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to amend the Town Council Rules of Procedure Rule 4.2 and add new Rule 4.6 as shown in the document titled "ROP – Consent Agenda Revisions – 2020-05-06 as recommended by GOL."

# Agenda Item 13. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting

# Letter to Department of Elementary and Secondary Education regarding 1/12th Budget for Regional Schools

Councilors discussed the need for the letter to be approved by the Council rather than the Town Manager.

**MOTION:** Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor De Angelis, to authorize the President to sign the "FY21LetterOfSupport for Regional Schools - Amherst Town Council - June 1, 2020," to support the alternative assessment method as proposed by the regional school committee.

Councilor Pam asked for clarification of the timeline for the several towns to adopt the 1/12 budget.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to authorize the President to sign the "FY21LetterOfSupport for Regional Schools - Amherst Town Council - June 1, 2020," to support the alternative assessment method as proposed by the regional school committee.

## 8. Appointments

- a. Town Manager Appointments None
- b. Town Council Appointments
  - (1) Finance Committee, Non-Voting Resident

Councilor Ryan reported that Governance, Organization and Legislation recommended the extension of the term of Marylou Theilman to August 1, 2020.

**MOTION:** Councilor Ryan moved, second by Councilor DuMont, to extend the term of Marylou Theilman, a non-voting resident member of the Town Council Finance Committee, to August 1, 2020.

**VOTED** 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to extend the term of Marylou Theilman, a non-voting resident member of the Town Council Finance Committee, to August 1, 2020.

## 9. Committee Reports

- a. Community Resources Committee: Councilor Hanneke thanked the committee for their work, and noted the following upcoming meetings: a joint meeting with Finance Committee on June 3, joint meetings on June 10 and June 17 with the Planning Board to consider zoning bylaw article 14 and amendment to article 11.250, and a regular committee meeting on June 16. The committee will continue work on the noise bylaw and wild animal bylaw.
- **b.** Finance Committee: Councilor Steinberg noted the committee will meet tomorrow to hear a presentation from the Community Preservation Act Committee chair, continue its work on the budget process, and will hold joint hearings with the Council on the budget.
- **c. Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee:** Councilor Ryan reported that the committee voted to declare the pool for non-resident members to Finance Committee sufficient, and is now soliciting statements of interest from applicants.
- **d. Joint Capital Planning Committee:** Councilor Schoen thanked the committee, the committee sent recommendations to the Town Manager today. Focus on uncertainty of the coming fiscal year. The committee agreed to meet again in the fall to address a multi-year plan. Councilor Schoen stated the Council has not received a capital inventory, per Charter Sec. 5.7(a) the council must establish requirements for the inventory, such as age, condition, maintenance and repair history, remaining useful life, and other features as the Town Council may deem appropriate. The Council must specify what the capital inventory ought to include, and that knowing what we own and its useful life guides decisions about what needs investment.
- **e.** Outreach, Communications, and Appointments Ad Hoc Committee: Councilor Ross reported that the committee will meet again Monday June 8, and is seeking applicants for Planning and Zoning Boards.
- **f.** Town Services and Outreach Committee: Councilor DuMont reported the committee acted on reappointments to 11 different bodies; reviewed the temporary zoning public way, and began review of the surveillance technology bylaw.

## 10. Approval of Minutes

- a. April 21, 2020 Special Joint Town Council/Community Resources Committee Meeting minutes
- b. April 21, 2020 Special Joint Town Council/Town Services and Outreach Committee Meeting minutes

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**VOTED** via consent agenda 12-0 by roll call (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Steinberg, voted Yes; Councilor Swartz was absent) to approve the following Town Council Meeting minutes as presented:

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## 11. Town Manager Report

Town Manager Paul Bockelman reported that the Farmer's Market went well over the weekend, the work to reopening Town buildings to staff is under way, the next Cupa' Joe will feature Finance Director Sean Mangano and Comptroller Sonia Aldrich, the Town continues to hold call-in events with Community Participation Officers, and the Town Clerk is working on voting locations.

Councilor Ryan asked about staff with health concerns or family members with health concerns who may not be comfortable returning to work.

P. Bockelman responded that the plan for each employee would depend on the department's needs, shared spaces, and individual concerns and responsibilities.

Councilor Hanneke noted reopening occurring in other towns, beaches, etc. and asked when we might see curbside service for the library, swimming at Puffers Pond, and reopening of playgrounds.

P. Bockelman responded that the Library Director has a plan for curbside service. Staff is working on safely reopening Puffers Pond to swimmers and beach-goers.

Councilor Schoen asked about posting signage at Puffers to remind visitors to wear masks and maintain social distancing.

Councilor Brewer expressed concerns about clarity of regulations and instructions for residents looking to recreate.

Councilor Pam asked for details about summer camps.

#### 12. Town Council Comments

a. President Report: President Griesemer thanked councilors and committee chairs for their work in getting the Council back to regular business, and thanked district and atlarge councilors who attended district meetings. A draft timeline for the Town Manager's evaluation is in the Council packet. Work on a list of future agenda items is progressing.

- b. Future Agenda Items
- c. Councilor Comments

## 13. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting

Topics not anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting were taken up earlier in the agenda.

**14.** Executive Session – *None* 

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15. Adjourn

President Griesemer declared the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. on June 1, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Athena O'Keeffe

Clerk of the Council

## Record of Agenda Packet Materials and Documents Presented

- 00. 06-01-2020 Draft Motions for Town Council as of 6-01-2020
- 00. 06-01-2020 FINAL Town Council Agenda
- 00. 06-01-2020 FINAL Town Council Agenda
- 5.a. 8.b.1. 2020-06-01 GOL Report to Town Council
- 5.a. LGBTQ Proclamation 2020
- 5.b. Race Amity Day 2020 Proclamation Final
- 6.a. Council One Month Budget 6.1.20
- 7.b.1. Report 2020-05-18 TSO dd
- 7.b.1. SE Commons CD Set 2020.03.05
- 7.b.1. SE Commons Town Council Submission
- 7.b.1. South East Commons Proposed Site Plan
- 7.b.1. South East Commons Project
- 7.b.1. South East Street Request to Town Council 04-30-2020
- 7.b.1. SPP2019-04 133-143 So East St SIGNED DECISION
- 7.b.1. SPR 2019-07 133-143 So East St SIGNED DECISION
- 7.b.2. One University Drive South Project Cover Memo 05-15-2020
- 7.b.2. ZBA FY2020-16, Approved Context Renderings and Photos
- 7.b.2. ZBA FY2020-26, 1 University Drive South, Draft Decsion-highlighted
- 7.b.2. ZBA FY2020-26, Approved Parking Plan-Option B
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- 7.c. Article 11, Section 11.25, Planning Board Decision
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- 7.d. Public Way Policy proposed revisions 2020-05-20

7.d. Temporary Zoning Moratorium Memo - 05-15-2020 FINAL

7.e. Budget - FY21 One-Month Budget 05-29-2020

7.i. 2020-05-18 GOL Report to Town Council

7.i. ROP - Consent Agenda Revisions - 2020-05-06 as recommended by GOL

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10.c. 05-01-2020 DRAFT Special Town Council Minutes

10.d. 05-04-2020 DRAFT Town Council Minutes - REVISED

10.e. 05-11-2020 DRAFT Special Town Council Minutes- Three Boards Meeting - REVISED

10.f. 05-18-2020 DRAFT Town Council Minutes

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